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Application No.:	10/786,621)		
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Docket No.	CPM03008 (3600-421-01))		

For: PHASE FORMATION OF OXYGEN REDUCED VALVE METAL OXIDES
AND GRANULATION METHODS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

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Sir:

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This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after expiration of the three-month period following filing of the above-captioned application, but before an Office Action on the merits and before any Final Office Action or Notice of Allowance.

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The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and

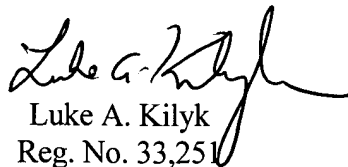
1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

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It is believed that no fee is required to make this a complete and timely filing. However, if it is determined that a petition or fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee associated with this statement to our Deposit Account No. 03-0060.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	2001/0036056 A1	11/01/01	Kimmel et al.	361	508	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation	
						Yes	No
	WO 02/068333 A2	09/06/02	WIPO	C01G	33/00	yes	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	International Search Report for PCT/US2004/005747

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